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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: V Corps Fatalities


1. The corps experienced 18 fatalities during FY01 -- a number equal to the loss of one tank platoon. This number depicts more peacetime fatalities within V Corps than any other year since 1992. Human error was the number one cited cause. We will not accept a loss of life, or an incident that causes injury as a price of doing business. I want every leader to use the resources available to him or her to ensure we do what is humanly possible to save lives.

2. I task all leaders, both civilian and military to help me overcome this trend. We must be proactive to ensure all credible risks are identified and the course of action taken is a conscious one, on or off duty.

- ANTICIPATE! - Use the 5-step Risk Management process.
- EDUCATE! - Resources such as the POV Toolbox, and Next Accident Assessment are designed to make the risk decision process easier -- use them! Visit our Safety website at <http://www.vcorps.army.mil/safety> for assistance.
- DON'T GAMBLE! - Decisions should be systematic -- leader involvement must be emphasized.

3. Accidents are preventable! I remain optimistic that we can change this behavior to one that is worthy of the time and attention it deserves -- we owe it to ourselves, the lives that were lost, and all family members affected by those fatalities.

4. Victory Corps!


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